



U.S. Attorneys (USA)

FY 2014 Budget Request At A Glance

FY 2012 Enacted:	\$1,960 million (10,629 positions; 5,451 attorneys; 20 agents)
Current Services Adjustments:	+\$38.7 million
Program Changes:	+\$9.0 million
FY 2014 Budget Request:	\$2,008 million (10,814 positions; 5,566 attorneys; 20 agents)
Change From 2012 Enacted:	+\$47.7 million (+2.4%) (+185 positions; +115 attorneys)

Mission:

The United States Attorneys serve as the Nation's principal litigators under the direction of the Attorney General. Their offices bring criminal prosecutions, pursue civil penalties, defend federal programs and guard the financial interests of the United States in court. They also provide advice and counsel to the Attorney General and senior policy leadership through the Attorney General's Advisory Committee (AGAC) and its various subcommittees. The Executive Office for U.S. Attorneys provides the USAAs with general executive assistance and direction, policy development, administrative management direction and oversight, operational support, training and coordination with other components of the Department and other federal agencies.

Organization:

There are 93 U.S. Attorneys located throughout the 50 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, the U.S. Virgin Islands, Guam, and the Northern Mariana Islands. U.S. Attorneys are appointed by, and serve at the discretion of, the President, with the advice and consent of the Senate. One U.S. Attorney is assigned to each of the judicial districts, with the exception of Guam and the Northern Mariana Islands where a single U.S. Attorney serves both districts. Each U.S. Attorney is the chief federal law enforcement officer of the U.S. within his or her particular jurisdiction. The Executive Office for U.S. Attorneys was created on April 6, 1953, by Attorney General Order 8-53, to provide for close liaison between the Department of Justice in Washington, DC, and the 93 U.S. Attorneys.

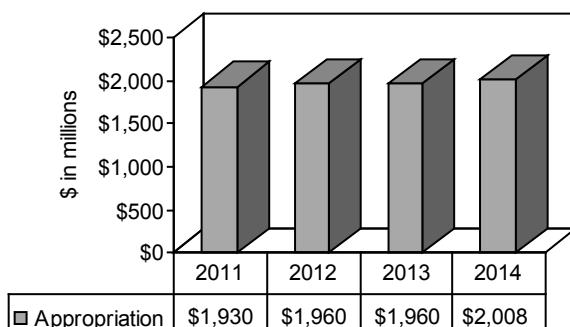
Resources:

The FY 2014 budget request for USA totals \$2,008 million, which is a 2.4% increase over the 2012 Enacted.

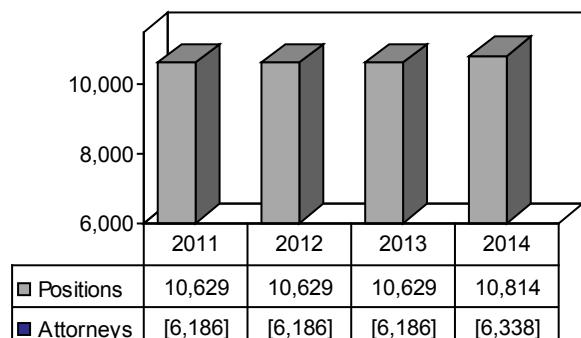
Personnel:

The USA's direct positions for FY 2014 total 10,814 positions. USA's FY 2014 request includes an increase of 185 positions over the FY 2012 Enacted of 10,629 direct positions.

Funding (FY 2011 - 2014)



Personnel (FY 2011 - 2014)



*Includes Reimbursable Positions

FY 2014 Strategy:

In FY 2014, the United States Attorneys will continue to investigate and prosecute the diverse workload of criminal cases brought by the Federal Government and will continue to initiate and defend civil actions to assert and protect the interests of the United States.

The diverse criminal and civil workload includes cases in international and domestic terrorism; child exploitation and obscenity; firearms and violent crime; gangs and organized crime; complex and multi-jurisdictional fraud – including health care, identity theft, public corruption, bank and investment frauds; environmental crimes - including oil spill related frauds; drug enforcement; and human trafficking. Additionally in FY 2014, the United States Attorneys will continue to focus criminal prosecutorial resources on financial crimes, including mortgage and corporate fraud, southwest border enforcement, and Indian Country prosecution efforts. Further, the United States Attorneys will continue collection efforts of both criminal and civil debt. In FY 2012, as a result of these debt collection efforts, the United States Attorneys collected a total of \$13.1 billion.

Caseload for financial fraud is expected to remain heavy in FY 2014 due to the troubled mortgage industry, as well as investment schemes and securities fraud uncovered by a declining market. The Department is committed to investigating and prosecuting financial fraud and holding accountable those who contributed to the financial crisis. Toward this end, the Department is an active member of the Financial Fraud Enforcement Task Force's Residential Mortgage-Backed Securities Working Group, which is investigating misconduct in the creation, sale and packaging of residential mortgage-backed securities, the failure of which contributed significantly to the housing market collapse. The vigorous prosecution of serious financial fraud will provide deterrence to additional criminal activity and thereby assist the financial recovery program. Continued southwest border enforcement initiatives will require the efforts of United States Attorneys' Offices throughout the country to enforce immigration laws and combat and deter southwest border related crime. This is especially important with regard to investigations of cross border drug trafficking and gun violence. Indian Country prosecution efforts will continue to focus on curbing the rate of violent crime, and combating illegal drug distribution and manufacturing in Indian Country.

FY 2014 Program Changes:

Financial and Mortgage Fraud: \$26.5 million and 190 positions (120 attorneys)

The U.S. Attorneys will expand criminal investigations and prosecutions of mortgage fraud, predatory lending, financial fraud, and market manipulation matters. These prosecutorial resources will enable the U.S. Attorney community to quickly address the increasing number of mortgage and financial fraud cases referred by the FBI for prosecution. The U.S. Attorneys will also expand civil enforcement efforts to continue to obtain recoveries from individuals and companies that have defrauded the government by violating the terms of Federal contracts, grants, loans, and subsidies. The FY 2013 President's Budget included this request; the FY 2014 President's Budget includes the same request in the same amount. The FY 2014 current services for this initiative are 1,952 positions (1,276 attorneys) and \$310 million.

Program Offset - Overhead Reductions: -\$17.5 million and 0 positions

The United States Attorney community is continually evaluating its programs and operations with the goal of achieving efficiencies and reducing overall costs. In FY 2014, the United States Attorneys will focus on reducing overhead costs in areas which include, but are not limited to: space, telecommunications and information technology (IT) infrastructure, guard services and security investigations. The FY 2013 President's Budget included this request; the FY 2014 President's Budget includes the same request in the same amount. These overhead reductions will result in an offset of \$17.5 million.

U.S. Attorneys
(Dollars in Thousands)

		U.S. Attorneys		
		Pos	FTE**	Amount
2012 Enacted		10,629	9,702	1,960,000
2013 Continuing Resolution*		10,629	9,717	1,971,995
2014 Request		10,814	9,807	2,007,717
Change 2014 from 2012 Enacted		185	-933	47,717
Technical Adjustments				
Adjustment - 2013 CR 0.612%		0	0	-11,995
Total Technical Adjustments		0	0	-11,995
Base Adjustments				
ATB Transfers		-5	-5	2,249
Pay & Benefits		0	0	16,153
Domestic Rent & Facilities		0	0	20,315
Total Base Adjustments		-5	-5	38,717
2014 Current Services		10,624	9,712	1,998,717
Program Changes				
Increases:				
Financial and Mortgage Fraud		190	95	26,500
Subtotal, Program Increases		190	95	26,500
Decreases:				
Program Offset - Overhead Reductions		0	0	-17,500
Subtotal, Program Decreases		0	0	-17,500
Total Program Changes		190	95	9,000
2014 Request		10,814	9,807	2,007,717

* The 2013 Continuing Resolution includes the 0.612% funding above current rate, provided by P.L. 112-175, sec. 101 (c).

** The FTE for FY 2012 is actual and for FY 2013 and FY 2014 are estimates.

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Comparison by activity and program	2012 Enacted			2014 Current Services		
	Perm Pos.	FTE	Amount	Perm Pos.	FTE	Amount
Criminal Litigation	8,422	7,719	1,527,000	8,417	7,726	1,552,416
Civil Litigation	2,154	1,930	402,059	2,154	1,933	412,593
Legal Education	53	53	30,941	53	53	33,708
Total	10,629	9,702	1,960,000	10,624	9,712	1,998,717
Reimbursable FTE	0	1,554	0	0	1,676	0
Grand Total	10,629	11,256	1,960,000	10,624	11,388	1,998,717

Comparison by activity and program	2014 Total Program Changes			2014 Request		
	Perm Pos.	FTE	Amount	Perm Pos.	FTE	Amount
Criminal Litigation	114	57	1,713	8,531	7,783	1,554,129
Civil Litigation	76	38	7,287	2,230	1,971	419,880
Legal Education	0	0	0	53	53	33,708
Total	190	95	9,000	10,814	9,807	2,007,717
Reimbursable FTE	0	0	0	0	1,676	0
Grand Total	0	95	9,000	10,814	11,483	2,007,717